GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Departmental proceedings against Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now – Departmental proceedings under Rule – 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services [Classification, Control and Appeal] Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – Issued.

DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DIFFERENTLY ABLED & SENIOR CITIZENs (Estt.A3)

G.O.Rt.No.23. Dated:23-02-2023.

Read the followings:-

1. Lr.No.2621/Vig/2015, dated 18.11.2019 , of the Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad, forwarded the Vigilance Report No.30 (C.No.1391/V&E/D4/2009), Dated:24-03-2015, of the Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,
2. From the Director, WD&CW, Lr.No.WDC02-12022/2/2020-DC-WDCW, dated 15.03.2020.
3. Memo.No:WDC01/216/Estt/2020-2, WCDA & SC (Estt.A3) Dept., Dated: 11-07-2020.
4. Memo.No:WDC01/216/Estt/2020-3, WCDA & SC (Estt.A3) Dept., Dated: 18-08-2020.
5. Memo.No:WDC01/216/Estt/2020-4, WCDA & SC (Estt.A3) Dept., Dated: 16-11-2021.
6. Lr.No.WDC02-12022/2/2020-DC-WDCW, dated:24-12-2021 of the Director, WD&CW, Guntur.
7. G.O.Ms.No.4, WCDA & SC (Estt.A3) Dept., Dated:23-02-2023.

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ORDER:-

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under sub-clause [i] of clause [b] of sub – rule [2] of Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 to initiate departmental proceedings against Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, vide G.O. 7th read above, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against the said Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule – 20 of the of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services [Classification, Control and Appeal] Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, for which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure- I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III & IV).

3. Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of her defence, or to state whether she desires to be heard in person.

4. Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges which are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para-3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interests in respect of matters pertaining to his/her service under the Government. If any representation is received on his/her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings, it will be presumed that Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. along with the copies of the basis of charges be acknowledged.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

MUDDADA RAVI CHANDRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now (through the Director, WD&CW Dept., Guntur.)
The Director, WD&CW Dept., Guntur, with a direction to serve the charge memo to the C.O. and furnished the served copy, with dated acknowledgement to the Government for record.
The Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,
The Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad.
SF/SCs.

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ANNEXURE- I

Statement of Articles of Charges framed against Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now.

Article of Charge – I:

That Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, while serving as former Project Director, DW&CDA, Nalgonda, has Violating the financial code in procuring food material and stationery in the under process, not entering into agreement with the supplier. Hence, the charge.

Basis: Lr.No.2621/Vig/2015, dated 18.11.2019, of the Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad, forwarded the Vigilance Report No.30 (C.No.1391/V&E/D4/2009), Dated:24-03-2015, of the Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,

Article of Charge – II:

That Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, while serving as former Project Director, DW&CDA, Nalgonda, Supervisory insets relating to stock position in the godown of CDPOs functioning of AWCs.

Basis: Lr.No.2621/Vig/2015, dated 18.11.2019, of the Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad, forwarded the Vigilance Report No.30 (C.No.1391/V&E/D4/2009), Dated:24-03-2015, of the Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,

Article of Charge – III:

That Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, while serving as former Project Director, DW&CDA, Nalgonda, has Failure to enter supply of stationary ordered in 2007-2009. Hence, the charge.

Basis: Lr.No.2621/Vig/2015, dated 18.11.2019, of the Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad, forwarded the Vigilance Report No.30 (C.No.1391/V&E/D4/2009), Dated:24-03-2015, of the Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,

2. Thus Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, by her above mentioned acts has Violating financial code in procuring food material and stationery in the under process, not interring into agreement with the supplier, Supervisory insets relating to stock position in the godown of CDPOs functioning of AWCs and failure to enter supply of stationary ordered in 2007-2009 and thereby contravened Rule 3(1)(2) & (3) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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ANNEXURE- II

Statement of imputations of Violating financial code in procuring food material and stationery in the under process, not interring into agreement with the supplier, Supervisory insets relating to stock position in the godown of CDPOs functioning of AWCs and failure to enter supply of stationary ordered in 2007-2009 in support of the Articles of Charges framed against Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now.

1. The G.A(V&E) Dept., Telangana State have sent Vig. Report No.30, dt.24.03.2015, wherein, the Vigilance & Enforcement Department has pointed out the following lapses in tender procedures in purchase of stationary items against Smt. V. Sarada, former P.D, DW&CDA, Nalgonda:-.

(1) The prescribed procedures for purchase of stationery items were not followed by the PDs office. Practical assessment of the requirement to the 18 projects and 3 balsadans was not taken into consideration. No indents were taken from the concerned CDPOs and Balsadans there (except the CDPOs of Miryalagunda, Nalgonda (U) Suryapet). There were no efforts for consolidation the indents or preparation of budget estimates. Without assessment of actual requirement, tenders were called for supply of 99 items and rates were finalized. However the CDPOs on the concerned projects were to receive the stationery from the traders by placing separated orders. The traders had not entered into agreement abiding themselves to terms & conditions for supply of material. Hence, CDPOs at the project level are in a precarious situation on which they can neither obtain timely supplies nor ensure proper quality. The CDPOs of Suryapet, Munugodu, Mothkur, A lair and others were still requesting the PD/ICDS for enabling supply of stationary even for f/y 2007-08 to this date (Annexure-5). To sum up. The traders who succeeded in getting work orders were at liberty to supply the stationery at their convenience and the officials including O/o PD are not aware of the supply. Position even after a lapse of 3 years.

(2) The Government has given consent for purchase of bunter beds and to balasadans. The procurement procedures were followed and the supplier had supplied the material violating the specifications and quality and as to agreement with the supplied the material violating the specifications and quality and as no agreement with the supplier is available to ensure effective supply no serious action could be taken for the violation.

(3) Thus the entire system of procurement adopted by the O/o. PD/ICDS indicates serious procedural deficiencies which naturally give scope for corrupt practices. Accountability at all levels in the implementation of procurement for SNP and purchases of stationery examined during the enquiry needs to be rectified immediately otherwise the funds that are apparently reaching the beneficiaries will continue to go waste. Hence, the charges.

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ANNEXURE- III

List of documents by which the Articles of Charges framed Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, are proposed to be sustained.

1. Lr.No.2621/Vig/2015, dated 18.11.2019, of the Director, WD&CW Dept., State of Telangana, Hyderabad, forwarded the Vigilance Report No.30 (C.No.1391/V&E/D4/2009), Dated:24-03-2015, of the Government of Telangana G.A. (V&E) Dept.,
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4. Lr.No.WDC02-12022/2/2020-DC-WDCW, dated: 06-07-2021 of the Director, WD&CW, Guntur.

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ANNEXURE- IV

List of witnesses by whom the Articles of Charges framed against Smt. V. Sarada, Regional Joint Director, Ongole, and retired now, are proposed to be sustained.

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